



**BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD OF ILLINOIS  
POLICY**

<b>DEPARTMENT:</b> Network Provider Performance	<b>POLICY NUMBER:</b> Administrative 37	<b>ORIGINAL EFFECTIVE DATE :</b> 06/01/1999
<b>POLICY TITLE:</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Trimester Pregnancy IPA Transfer		<b>EFFECTIVE DATE:</b> 12/01/2022
		<b>LAST REVISION DATE:</b> 12/01/2020
<b>EXECUTIVE OWNER:</b> DSVP, IL Health Care Delivery	<b>BUSINESS OWNER:</b> Manager, Provider Performance	<b>LAST REVIEW DATE:</b> 12/01/2022

**I. SCOPE**

This Policy applies to the following lines of business and products:

Line of Business / Product Scope / Plan Scope/Contract Number (if applicable)	In Scope [x]
HMO Commercial	x
HMO Exchange	x
PPO Commercial	
PPO Exchange	

**II. PURPOSE**

- To establish criteria that allows a female member to transfer her Woman’s Principal Health Care Provider (WPHCP) or Primary Care Physician (PCP) IPA affiliation while in the 3rd trimester of pregnancy.
- To ensure proper procedures are followed when members contact the HMO to request an IPA change while in their 3rd trimester of pregnancy.

**III. POLICY**

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois (BCBSIL) will provide established guidelines for appropriate HMO staff to facilitate requests for female members to change their Medical Group/Individual Practice Association or Physician Hospital Organization (hereinafter the “IPAs”), affiliation while in their 3rd trimester of pregnancy.

**IV. CONTROLS/MONITORING**

Line of Business and/or Area	Control Requirements
IL HMO	Controls are detailed in the Policy

## V. RELATED DOCUMENTS

3<sup>rd</sup> Trimester Pregnancy IPA Transfer – Procedure 37A

## VI. IMPACTED BUSINESS AREAS

HMO Network  
HMO Operations  
Clinical Programs Strategy and Oversight  
Quality Improvement  
HMO Service Centers including claims, eligibility etc.

## VII. POLICY REVIEWERS

Person Responsible for Review	Title	Date of Review
HMO Service Center	Supervisor Member Services	11/3/2021
HMO Service Center	Supervisor member services	11/2/2022

## VIII. POLICY REVISION HISTORY

Description of Changes	Revision Date
Split Template	11/03/2021

## IX. POLICY APPROVALS

Company, Division, Department and/or Committee	By: Name	Title	Approval date
BCBSIL P&P			11/18/2021
BCBSIL P&P			11/17/2022